Mountain Weather Forecast

South Grampian and Southeast Highlands

Including South and East Cairngorms National Park, Aberdeenshire and Angus Hills, Ben Vrackie, Ben Lawers, Loch Tay and Ochils
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Saturday 20 Mar 2021 until 23:59 on Sunday 21 Mar 2021

Forecast Issued on Friday 19 Mar 2021 at 14:14 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for settled weather over the weekend then a more changeable weather pattern becoming established during first half of next week.

Headline for Saturday 20 Mar 2021: Dry with plenty of sunshine. Cloudier in north by evening.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 20 Mar 2021

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Low Likelihood	**Poor visibility** No Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Clear night	Clear night	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Cloudy	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
00%	00%	00%	00%	<05%	10%	10%	<05%

Forecast for Saturday 20 Mar 2021

Weather: Most areas will have a dry, bright day with plenty of sunshine. Cloudier skies will edge into the north of area by evening with possibly a few spots of rain. A chilly start in the glens then becoming quite warm at lower levels. Staying cold over higher ridges, summits.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 90% decreasing 60% in north by early evening.

Visibility: A few patches of mist at lower levels soon dispersing, otherwise very good visibility with patchy cloud cover developing around 800 to 900m. Clouds becoming more extensive in north by evening.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	9/12 W	12/16 W	17/21 W	24/30 W	23/33 W	24/35 NW	25/35 NW	18/25 NW	15/23 N
900	7/9 W	9/12 W	10/15 W	16/23 W	20/30 W	21/31 NW	19/29 NW	13/20 NW	11/19 N
600	3/6 W	6/11 W	7/12 W	11/20 W	15/26 W	15/26 NW	13/24 NW	8/16 NW	8/16 N
300	2/5 NW	3/6 W	4/8 W	5/13 W	11/22 W	12/26 NW	10/22 NW	7/17 NW	6/14 NW
Glen	2/4 NW	3/6 W	3/5 W	3/9 W	10/22 W	12/25 NW	10/21 NW	7/17 NW	6/14 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	4/1	4/0	3/-1	4/-2	3/-4	2/-5	0/-6	-2/-8	-3/-9
900	5/3	5/2	4/1	5/1	5/-0	4/-2	3/-3	0/-5	-1/-6
600	5/4	6/4	6/3	7/4	8/4	6/3	5/1	3/-0	1/-2
300	5/4	5/4	5/3	9/7	12/9	10/7	8/5	6/3	3/1
Glen	5/4	5/4	4/3	9/8	13/10	11/8	9/6	6/4	4/1
Freezing Level*	1700m	1700m	1800m	1600m	1400m	1400m	1200m	900m	700m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Note lighter winds at lower levels but still quite strong on the tops making it feel cold with temperatures close to freezing. Sun glare to be expected from snow cover at higher elevations.

Forecast for Sunday 21 Mar 2021

Weather: Another fine dry and bright day with sunny spells.

Maximum wind: Fresh westerly winds, average speeds of 15 to 20mph and gusts 30mph on the tops.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 80%.

Visibility: Very good with patchy cloud cover about 800m.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 3 Celsius rising to 11 Celsius.
At 800m: Zero Celsius.
Freezing level: 800m.

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